improve significantly the safety situation in the coal mines.

2933. [*Transferred to the 28th March, 1989*].

Compensation to the victims of industrial accidents

2934. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have come across the judgements of High Courts and Supreme Court where compensations to injured in industrial accidents or disaster have been paid on the basis of the paying capacity of the industry; and

(b) what are the details of the compensation paid by Union Carbide in the past for big industrial accidents for dead, permanently disabled and partially injured?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) Government is not aware of any case in which compensation has been actually paid to such victims on the basis of the paying capacity of the industry.

(b) According to available information, in the incident of leakage of toxic gas at the Institute plant of Union Carbide in West Virginia USA in August, 1985, about 135 people were affected. It appears that these cases were settled out of Court.

Suggestions for amending the Drugs and Cosmetics Act

2935. SHRI PARVATHANENI UPENDRA: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Indian Pharmacy Graduates' Association has suggested amendment to the Drugs and Cosmetics Act to restrict the compounding, dispensing and sale of drugs to registered Pharmacists only; and

(b) if so, what is the decision of Government on this suggestion?

THE MINISTER OF INDUSTRY (SHRI J. VENGAL RAO): (a) and (b) The required details to the extent available will be collected from Ministry of Health & Family Welfare and laid on the Table of the Rajya Sabha.

Installation of Sub-Station in West Delhi

2936. SHRI PUTTAPAGA RADHAKRISHNA: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the electrification scheme for Mohan Block and I Block of Sagarpur West New Delhi, has been sanctioned in 1987;

(b) whether it is a fact that substation building and Lining work for the purpose have been completed by the authorised contractor and the transformer has also been allotted; and

(c) if so, by when the transformer is likely to be installed and the substation would start functioning?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRI KALPNATH RAI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) The work of energisation of the transformer/sub-station for electrification of the blocks in question is expected to be completed by 30-4-1989.

Expenditure incurred in celebrations of Energy Conservation Week

2937. SHRI VIRENDRA VERMA: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) what was the venue of the celebrations of Energy Conservation Week recently in Delhi and what is the total expenditure incurred thereon;

(b) what were the main highlights of the celebrations;

(c) whether Government is aware that lot of electricity is being wasted

by DESU in keeping the lights on much after the dawn and much before the dusk for the simple reason that there are no devices available for switching off the street lights from the main point; and

(d) if so, what steps have been taken by Government to save electricity?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRI KALPNATH RAI): (a) During the Energy Conservation Week held from the 2nd to 9th February, 1989, a large number of activities and functions were organised at various places in Delhi. The Department of Power sanctioned about Rs. 19 lakhs for expenditure on various events of the Energy Conservation Week.

(b) Energy Conservation Week was held with a view to intensifying awareness about the imperative need for energy conservation in all sectors of the economy. Workshops/seminars on energy conservation in the coal sector, agricultural sector, refineries, textile and paper industry, road transport, railway workshops, thermal power stations, small and medium industries hotel industry, construction and building industry, etc. were held.

(c) and (d) It is not correct that lot of electricity is wasted by DESU in keeping the lights on after the dawn and before dusk.

Telephone connections in Shaktinagar Telephone Exchange

2938. SHRI M. KADHARSHA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) what are the details of registrants for telephone connections under the OYT scheme in April, 1984 under the Shaktinagar Exchange area in Delhi;

(b) what is the number of those registrants who have been provided telephone connections in that area under the said scheme and of those who are still to be provided telephone connections;

(c) whether it is a fact that some telephone connections have been provided overlooking the priority of the registrants referred to in part (a) above;

(d) what remedial action Government propose to take in the matter; and

(e) at what stage the priority of the left-over registrants of April, 1984 in the said exchange stands at present and by when they are likely to be provided telephone connections?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI GIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) to (c) 19 applications were received for provision of telephone connections under OYT scheme in April, 1984 under Shakti Nagar Exchange Area in Delhi, of these 14 were from individuals, 3 from Companies belonging to private sector and two from public sector undertaking. All the 19 applicants have been provided telephone connections.

(d) and (e) Do not arise.

Electrification under 'Kutir Jyoti' Scheme

2939. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) what was the target in terms of number of houses in which electricity was to be provided under 'Kutir Jyoti' Scheme during the last year; and

(b) in how many houses actually the electricity was provided?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRI KALPNATH RAI): (a) and (b) Under Kutir Jyoti Scheme a target of 5 lakh connections has been fixed for 1988-89 Upto the end of February, 1989, about 2.04 lakh connections have